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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Errico et al.

Application No.: 10/642,522

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For: ARTIFICIAL INTERVERTEBRAL DISC  
HAVING A CIRCUMFERENTIALLY  
BURIED WIRE MESH ENDPLATE  
ATTACHMENT DEVICE

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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated  
January 24, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-9 and 11-41,  
Applicants submit the following remarks: